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Flashes of Late News

THE WEATHER: Tuesday: Snow, Colder

WASHINGTON AP— Litigation involving the power of the Federal government to regulate profits on national defense contracts came before the Supreme Court today for argument.

WASHINGTON— INS— The United States Treasury, in pointing out that the "trading with the enemy act" had been clamped down against Japan because of its attack on this country's Pacific outposts, today warned all firms and individuals in the United States not to trade with any Japanese nationals or companies in this or any other country, including Latin and South American republics.

NEW YORK AP Federal agents working with city detectives rounded up 91 Japanese by 4 a. m. (EST) today, of whom 51 were taken to the U. S. Immigration station on Ellis Island on charges of violating the Enemy Alien Act.

NEW YORK—INS— An unconfirmed report that the United States 1,500-ton destroyer Preston has been sunk was relayed today by Bert Silen, NBC correspondent at Manila.

BUFFALO, N. Y.—AP— Representatives of the CIO United Mine Workers and officials of the Aluminum Company of America began negotiations today in Pittsburgh to settle a wage dispute at a subsidiary plant of the firm in Buffalo.

NEW YORK—INS—CBS today reported the German radio as announcing that Manchukuo has declared war upon the United States and Great Britain.

WILMINGTON, N. C.—AP— One man was believed drowned early today when the H. M. Fredericksen, Pure Oil tanker out of Port Arthur, Tex., caught fire while unloading oil in this port and was partially destroyed.

MANILA—UP—The United Press Shanghai radio station went off the air today at 10:07 a. m. It was assumed that the Japanese had taken over the radio station and other foreign communications.

WASHINGTON—AP—Chain shoe store sales during October amounted to $13,457,000, a drop of $439,000 from September, but an increase of $2,091,000 over October, 1940, the Commerce Department reports. Dollar sales in October were 1 per cent below September, a more than seasonal decline.

NEW YORK—AP—The United Mine Workers of America (CIO) have reached an objective sought for more than 40 years—a union shop for miners in the major steel companies' captive coal pits. An arbitration board appointed by President Roosevelt to settle the thorny union shop issue—source of three recent strikes in the defense-vital captive mines—last night returned a 2 to 1 decision awarding the union its demand.

CHICAGO— AP — Substantial quantities of grain have been delivered on the Board of Trade the past week to settle December futures contracts and more will be offered today.

BERLIN—AP— The news that King Leopold III of the Belgians has been married for three months to a commoner was broken to his subjects in Sunday announcements from pulpits throughout the German-occupied country. The King's bride is the former Mary Lilian Baels, daughter of a former Belgian cabinet minister, Hendrik Baels. She has waived the title of queen and rights of succession for any offspring. Her title is Princess of Rethy.

CHICAGO— AP — Mrs. Agnes Price, of Van Hornesville, N. Y., won the national championship of the annual public speaking contest conducted by the Associated Women of the American Farm Bureau Federation. The event was held as part of the annual convention of the Federation which opens tomorrow

Maps Show Where U. S., Britain Battle Japanese

Areas in which fighting has occurred between forces of the United States and Great Britain and those of Japan are shown on the maps above. Map at top shows strategic points of the entire Pacific area. Map at lower left shows Philippine Islands and area around Manila and the U. S. Naval base at Cavite. Map at lower right shows Hawaiian Islands and close-up of the island of Oahu, attacked by Japanese bombers.

3,000 Killed, Injured In Sudden Jap Attacks

War Declared by 'Grace of Heaven'

Tokyo, Dec. 8—AP—Domei today broadcast the following Imperial rescript proclaiming Japan at war with the United States and the British Empire:

We, by the grace of heaven, Emperor of Japan seated on the throne of a line unbroken for ages eternal, enjoin upon ye, our loyal and brave subjects:

We hereby declare war on the United States of America and the British Empire.

Men and officers of our army and navy shall do their utmost in prosecuting the war, our public servants of various departments shall perform faithfully and diligently their appointed tasks and all other subjects of ours shall pursue their respective duties; the entire nation with united will shall mobilize their total strength so that nothing will miscarry in attainment of our war aims.

To assure the stability of East Asia and to contribute to world peace is a far-sighted policy which was formulated by our great illustrious imperial grandsire and our great imperial sire succeeding him and to which we lay constantly to heart. To cultivate friendship among and to enjoy prosperity in common with all nations has always been a guiding principle of our empire's foreign policy.

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Congress Votes War This Afternoon Following Treacherous Sunday Blows; Montana Woman Casts Lone 'no' Vote

Washington, D. C. Dec. 8, AP, The Senate and House with unprecedented swiftness voted today to declare war on Japan. Both branches had just cheered President Roosevelt's appeal for the declaration.

Within 20 minutes afterward, the Senate had acted.

President Roosevelt had asked a united Congress today to declare war against Japan, after revealing that American forces lost two warships, and 3,000 dead and wounded in the Japanese surprise dawn attack on Hawaii.

The President made no mention of Germany and Italy. Resolutions formally declaring war had already been prepared in the Senate and House, before the moment the joint session was addressed by the President.

The Senate voted 82 to 0 for war and the House, 388 to 1 for war. The lone "no" vote was cast by Miss Jeannette Rankin, Republican, Montana, who voted against war with Germany in the first World War.

As a matter of fact, the Army and Navy had been fighting since a few moments after the surprise attack Sunday and the nation generally had taken on a war time tempo.

The White House released the first official information of the scope of American loss at Pearl Harbor shortly before the President went to the Capitol.

An indication of fast moving protective measures was seen in Attorney General Biddle's announcement that 736 Japanese aliens had been arrested during the night in the United States and Hawaii.

Troops had been assigned to guard posts throughout the nation at defense industries, key buildings.

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With Help of God!

With these historic words President Roosevelt this afternoon asked Congress to declare war upon Japan:

"As Commander in Chief of the Army and Navy I have directed that all measures be taken for our defense. Always will we remember the character of the onslaught against us. No matter how long it may take us to overcome this premeditated invasion, the American people in their righteous might will win through to absolute victory. I believe that I interpret the will of the Congress and of the people when I assert that we will not only defend ourselves to the uttermost, but will make very certain that his form of treachery will never endanger us again. Hostilities exist.

"There is no blinking at the fact that our people and territory and interests are in grave danger.

"With confidence in our armed forces, with unbounded determination of our people, we will gain the inevitable triumph, so help us God.

"I ask that Congress declare that since the unprovoked and dastardly attack by Japan on Sunday, December 7, 1941, a state of war has existed between the United States and the Japanese empire."

War Bulletins

Washington, D. C., Dec. 8—The White House announced today that the Japanese attack on Hawaii resulted in capsizing of an old battleship, the destruction of a destroyer, damage to other vessels and destruction of a relatively large number of planes.

Ottawa, Dec. 8—AP—Canada declared war upon Japan late last night after a four hour cabinet meeting and thus added within a 24 hour period four Axis-aligned nations to her list of enemies.

Batavia, Netherlands East Indies, Dec. 8—AP— The Netherlands East Indies, first government to declare war on Japan, called on the armed forces today to fight "until death if need be" and disclosed that Australia had been asked to send planes to assist in defense.

New York, Dec. 8—AP—The Tokyo radio said today the island of Palawan, in the Philippines, had been bombed. The broadcast was heard by NBC.

Tokyo, Dec. 8—AP—The navy section of the imperial headquarters announced today two American battleships were sunk, four others damaged and four heavy cruisers damaged at Pearl Harbor by Japanese naval bombers during the attack yesterday.

Ypsilantians in Center of Activities in Japanese War

Ypsilanti friends and relatives today were concerned for civilians and men in the armed forces of the United States who are stationed in the Pacific battlefield.

Major Fred Knipp, formerly of this city, is in charge of the important Hawaiian signal depot in Honolulu, and he and his wife and three children reside in that city. He is a past commander of Post 112, American Legion, and was a regular Army instructor for the local signal company. He was promoted to the rank of Army field clerk with headquarters in Chicago before being transferred to Hawaii.

Joel Boersema an airplane machanic at Hickam Field which was bombed in the raid Sunday, is a graduate of Ypsilanti High School in the class of 1939. He joined the Army and has been in Hawaii two years. He is a first class private.

First Lieutenant Francis Timlin, brother of Paul Timlin and Mrs. Joan Schaal, this city, was transferred about three weeks ago to one of the Army Air Corps bases in the Philippine Islands. He is a bomber pilot. He had formerly been stationed at Savannah, Ga.

Harold Conrad, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Conrad, 710 Railroad St., is with the Army Air Corps at Hickam Field, Hawaii. He was sent there two weeks ago to take a six weeks training course. He was graduated from Ypsilanti High School in the class of 1940.

No word had been received this morning from Robert O. Thompson, former resident here and brother of Benjamin C. and Joseph H. Thompson, who is a landscape architect in Honolulu. His home is in a suburb of Wailupe, which is between Hickam Field, which was bombed Sunday, and the city of Honolulu. Mrs. Thompson is with her husband in Hawaii, but the children are attending schools in the States. They write that the raids had been anticipated and that each family had been required to store food so that in case the food centers were destroyed, each family would have provisions. Mr. Thompson has been in Hawaii about 11 years.

Mrs. George Estes has especial reason to be anxious for news from

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Police Force Put 'on Alert'

Chief of Police Dan E. L. Patch said this morning all members of the Ypsilanti Police Department have been put on the alert for subversive activities threatening the city's status as a vital area in national defense, as the result of the state of war existing between Japan and the United States.

Officers will maintain vigilance, Chief Patch said, for acts of sabotage in local industries and in the city's public utilities. Because of Ypsilanti's importance to national defense, he said, the department has a heavy responsibility in protecting the continuation of defense production.

"The department," Chief Patch said, "realizes its acute responsibility and will exert every effort in fulfilling its obligation to the city and the nation."

Chief Patch appealed to Ypsilanti citizens for cooperation in reporting words or deeds inimical to the government and to the war-time effort. Subversive statements as well as subversive acts, he said, should be reported immediately to the police for investigation.

Investigation of such reports, Chief Patch said, will be made with the intention of exonerating the innocent person as well as for the purpose of apprehending the guilty.

Chief Patch said that through a series of recent conversations with John Bugas, director of the Detroit

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Help Sought by Red Cross

A call for volunteers to aid the Ypsilanti Red Cross units in meeting larger sewing production quotas expected to result from the national organization's war-time preparations was issued today by heads of local production units.

Mrs. Charles B. Cleary, chairman of surgical dressings, declared that although no comment has yet been received from the county board at Ann Arbor, sewing quotas are expected to be doubled. More volunteers to aid in the work will be a necessity, Mrs. Cleary said, because the number of women now participating in the sewing will be unable to fill the quotas.

Mrs. Cleary said that the local production rooms may be kept open every day in an effort to complete Red Cross sewing demanded.

The Washtenaw County Red Cross Board will meet in Ann Arbor Tuesday evening to make plans for meeting the war-time needs of the national society, Mrs. Elton J. Rynearson, chairman of local production units, announced. At the meeting, Mrs. Rynearson said, the board members will without doubt take cognizance of the state of war by organizing war-time activities to be undertaken by all chapters in the county.

Draft Board Expects Call

Special war-time instructions for application of the selective service law may be received within the next few days by Washtenaw County draft boards, officials announced today.

The two draft boards are now awaiting notification of their quotas for January, W. O. Allen, head of board No. 2, said. Notification of the quotas by the state selective service headquarters, Mr. Allen said, may carry with it any special instructions necessitated by the state of war between Japan and the United States.

It is thought likely that the January quotas, already expected to be large, may be increased because of actual war-time needs.

Clarence Schaller is head of board No. 1.

Today in 1916

(By Associated Press)

German claim capture of 18,000 men in Rumanian advance.

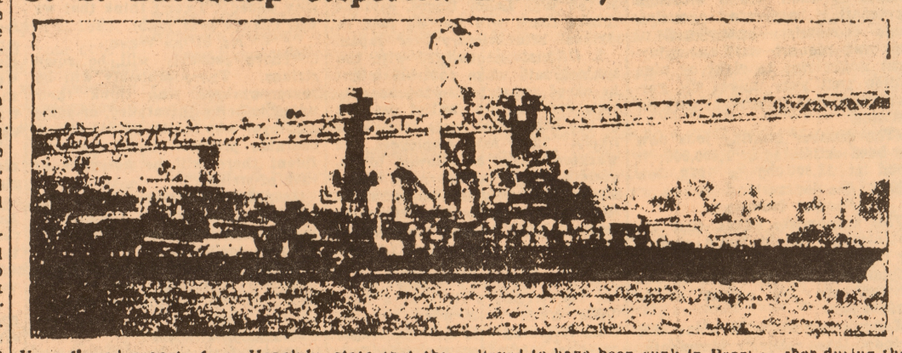
French wipe out German gains southeast of St. Mihiel.

Ypsilanti Men May Return to Service

Among Ypsilanti men who have recently been placed on the reserve list because of the 28 age limit or physical disability and who are likely to be called back to service because of the Japanese war emergency include Joe White, formerly of Fort Leonard Wood, Mo., who was released Friday; John Krumrei, who was formerly at Fort Benning, Ga.; Loren Dicks, Ted Penker, and Ben Wise, who were in Louisiana; Dr. Hollis Westfall, who had been at Fort Leonard Wood; Melvin Middleton, who had been in Wyoming.

Lee Yen-Ten was bulletined for discharge last month but declined it. Robert Olterndorf expected to receive his discharge Dec. 10 but probably will not receive it. Harold Sinclair was discharged Oct. 17 because of the age limit. Gerald Sinclair was discharged last week because of dependents.

U. S. Battleship Reported Bombed, Sunk at Hawaii



Unconfirmed reports from Honolulu state that the U.S.S. West Virginia, a battleship, above, was believed to have been sunk in Pearl Harbor during the first Japanese bombing attack on the naval base.

Students to be Told of Aviation

Naval and civilian aviation will be discussed by authorities in each field at a Men's Union meeting to be held at 10 a. m. Dec 16 in Charles McKenny Hall, J. H. McCulloch, head of the Normal physical education department, announced today.

Lt. Commander Edwards, commandant of the Grosse Ile Naval Base, will speak on the aviation program of the United States Navy. The federally sponsored civilian instruction programs of the Civil Aeronautics Authority will be discussed by Herbert Green and Victor Alden, CAA representatives from Lansing.

Congress Today

(By Associated Press)

House and Senate

Hold joint session (12:30 p. m. EST) to hear message from President Roosevelt on hostilities with Japan.

Saturday

Both houses in recess.

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